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*Accompanying a bill for the relief of James Johnson.*

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*Extract of a letter from Peter Hagner, Esq. Third Auditor.*

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

*Third Auditor's Office, 1st January, 1824.*

SIR: Agreeably to your request, I have the honor to state, that the amount deducted from James Johnson's account, as late Paymaster of your regiment of mounted Kentucky militia, in consequence of his having paid the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, who furnished themselves with rations and forage, more than the law of the 2d of January, 1795, authorized, is \$4,302 75 cents. The whole of the foregoing sum was deducted, in consequence of the law only allowing 25 cents per day for "*rations and forage*," and the payments appearing to have been made at the rate of 20 cents per day for the ration, and  $12\frac{1}{2}$  cents for forage, making a total sum of  $32\frac{1}{2}$  cents per day, and, consequently, an excess of  $7\frac{1}{2}$  cents per day to each man, more than the law warranted.

